

Nazi Bombs Hit London Orphanage



The top age is three at this London orphanage which was recently hit by a Nazi bomb. The bomb exploded only 10 feet from the babies' dormitory, and, fortunately, there were no casualties. The children are here pictured playing in the shadow of the orphanage ruins, quite unaware of their narrow escape from death.

Superstitions About Christmas

SIGNIFICANT meanings surround Christmas, according to superstitions believed in various parts of the world.

❖ In Holstein, Mistletoe is not only supposed to be a cure for all green wounds, but will insure success in the chase and give strength to the wrestler.

❖ Early Norsemen believed for centuries that the Mistletoe would give protection against both bodily ailments and evil spirits.

❖ A person who is born on Christmas will have power to see and command spirits, according to a Scottish belief.

❖ French peasants believe that babies born on Christmas have the gift of prophecy.

❖ If a baby is born at sermon time on Christmas Eve in Middle Europe, it portends that someone in the house will die within the year.

❖ Daughters born in the Vosges, France, on December 25 will be wise, witty and virtuous.

❖ A baby born on Christmas in Silesia will become either a lawyer or a thief.

❖ Girls in the ancient Duchy of Savonia seldom missed the opportunity offered by Christmas to look into the future at their future husbands. On Christmas Eve they would go to the woodpile to draw sticks. If a girl pulled a thick stick, her husband would be stout; if a long stick, he would be tall; if a crooked stick, he would be deformed. They would determine the business of their future husbands by dropping melted lead into a pan of cold water. The molten metal would form various shapes in cooling, and thus resemble the insignia of his occupation: hammer shape, a carpenter; shoe shape, a cobbler. Every piece of lead resembled some occupation to the old wives.

❖ A maiden in Switzerland who accepts a bunch of Edelweiss at Christmas also accepts the man who professes it.

❖ All animals in the German Alps can speak on Christmas Eve.

❖ It is believed in the Netherlands that nothing snows on Christmas Eve. In the days before snow had fallen, when it is mixed with the snow will live.

❖ A Bohemian wife will die within a year if she burns a Christmas cake.

❖ To insure an abundant harvest in Denmark, some of the bread baked on Christmas is kept until sowing time, when it is mixed with the seed.

❖ It is said that bread baked on Christmas in England never becomes moldy.

❖ Ashes must not be thrown out on Christmas day in some sections of Europe, for fear they might be thrown into the Savior's face.

❖ Some families in Scandinavia place all their shoes together on Christmas. This will cause them to live in harmony throughout the year.

❖ Old-Time New Year Serious
Old-time New England was serious on New Year's, as witness the title of a book published there in the year of 1792 by one Richard Standfast: "A New Year's Gift of Cordial Comforts scattered through several answers to 16 questions and objections: As also doubting Christians invited to Christ."

❖ Chinese New Year's Greeting
The Chinese New Year's greeting is "Sui-hi," or "May joy be yours."

To All Dark Tobacco Growers

We certainly appreciate the tobacco that we are selling from Appomattox and adjoining Counties. So far, all that have sold with us this season have been pleased with their sales. The demand with us has picked up right much since opening, our buyers adding new grades nearly every day this week. Will be mighty glad to have you bring us a trial load and will do our very best to make you a satisfactory sale.

Planters & Farmers Warehouses

Marvin E. Inge, Prop.
Blackstone, Va.

Ham and Eggs Christmas

FRESH snow crunched under Dick Wright's shoes as he stomped into the waiting room.

Old Peter was still there, still minding his telegraph key as he had when Dick was a boy. But now it was Christmas; now Dick was home from the city, a successful young architect.

As he walked up to old Peter's grizzled ticket window, Dick recalled the last time he stood in this station. Two and a half years ago, it was the day after Jean had left for New York in search of a career.

"Just can't stand Marysville," she had told him. "You'll understand, Dick, won't you?"

He had forgotten as best he could. Nothing in Marysville for him then. There had been a quick decision, a closing of old-open doors, a tearing goodbye to his parents and then—off to the city. It was odd how long it had taken to give a fellow determination. Today, just 30 months later, he was coming back home with a career ready carved in stone.

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Appomattox Personals

The local U. D. C. will meet on Thursday, December 12, in the home of Mrs. J. A. Burke. The business will be Mrs. James B. Abbott, Mrs. W. T. Steele and Mrs. Burke.

Mr. and Mrs. Bayd Ranson have moved into an apartment in the W. L. Reid residence.

The W. M. S. of Liberty Baptist church held an all day meeting in the parlors of the church on Tuesday with a covered dish luncheon, Mrs. W. J. LeGrand, president, presided and Mrs. T. M. Flynn acted as secretary. The Rev. Mr. E. L. Smith rendered a duet. Miss Mary M. Hunter, of the Foreign Mission Board, was present and spoke.

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Classified Ads

NOTICE—Big Sale coming soon, watch for it! It will pay you to shop at Reynolds.

FOR SALE—4000 pounds good Leopold Seed, See, L. E. SMITH, Appomattox, Va.

Insulation, Heating of Houses Being Studied

Is your house too hot in summer? Or too cold in winter? What is the best way to heat it? These and many other questions are being studied by the heating and power division of the bureau of standards in Washington, which is conducting an interesting and helpful experiment on home insulation and heating.

Departing from the usual test-tube method of experimentation, the bureau of standards has constructed a four-room and bath frame bungalow similar in exterior appearance to thousands being built all over the country.

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Administrator's SALE

OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE AT EVERGREEN, VIRGINIA AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Pursuant to qualification in the Circuit Court of Appomattox County as Administrator with will annexed of the estate of Robert L. Fitzhugh, deceased, the undersigned will sell for cash to the highest bidder on 10 p. m. on 10 o'clock A. M., on

SATURDAY DECEMBER 14, 1940

the following real property:

Parcel 1. A 17 acre tract of land on which is located an excellent 7 room dwelling with two porches, 2 large halls, basement, garage and work shop. This building has a metal roof and is in good repair. The outbuildings include a large chicken house and a 2 s.e. all stable with hay loft. This place is well located on good road and has a nice orchard. It is the home place of the late Robert L. Fitzhugh, a coast 1/2 mile from Evergreen railroad station.

Parcel 2. A tract of 14 1/2 acres lying directly across the public road from the home tract. A comfortable 1 room cottage, stable, garage and chicken house; heated thorough and ample space for a filling station site of one of the main Virginia highways.

Parcel 3. This parcel of 2.04 acres lies at the intersection of the Highway Route and the Hixburg public road. It has a good room cottage, stable, garage and chicken house; heated thorough and ample space for a filling station site of one of the main Virginia highways.

Parcel 4. This tract of 5 acres lies along Sta. Highway Route 400 east of and adjacent to Parcel Number 3. It fronts on the main highway and offers excellent opportunities for commercial development.

Terms of Sale: Cash (But terms can be arranged on day of sale to responsible parties.)

R. L. Burke, Administrator, with will annexed.

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Bring the family to Jenkins for holiday Shopping! Hundreds of Toys and Santa Claus to greet you!

Shop Early

C. S. JENKINS

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Now Playing TAYLOR NORMA SHEARER In 1940's Thrill Sensation! "ESCAPE"

Lee Theatre

Mon, Tue Dec 9-10 THE GREAT MCGINTY

Wed, Thurs Dec 11-12 MICKY ROONEY

Strike Up the Band

SHOP IN Appomattox For Christmas Values

WE LIST A FEW OF THE MANY ITEMS AWAITING YOU AT THE DRUG STORE THIS CHRISTMAS!

CANDY

WHITMANS and HOLLINGSWORTH BOXES

1 to 5 pound Boxes Also 1 lb. Chocolate, 5 lb. Cordial Cherries, Hard Candy

PRICED FROM \$1.50 up GIFT SETS FOR MEN

Many Sizes & Combinations

SHAVING SETS \$1.25

Colgate Gift Sets .85c

Williams Gift Sets .85c

Military Brushes .50c up

Bill Folds .40c up

Razor Sets .95c up

Gift Pencils .25c up

Harmonicas .25c up

Christmas Wrapping Paper .30c up

Christmas Tree Decorations .30c up

Flashlights .30c up

Thermos Bottles .95c

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